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1. FROM MY LAST DISCUSSION WITH CLERIDES YESTERDAY MORNING, I
GATHERED NOT ONLY THAT HE WAS NOT IN TOUCH WITH ROSSIDES BUT
CONSIDERED HIM COMPLETELY MAKARIOS MAN.

2. I FEEL CLERIDES IS BEGINNING TO FEEL THE PRESSURE AND
SUSPECT HE WOULD WELCOME ANY INTERVENTION HERE THAT MIGHT
PUT AN END TO FURTHER TURKISH ENCROACHMENTS. FROM MY LAST
TELEPHONIC CONVERSATION WITH HIM THIS EVENING WHEN HE
EXPRESSED CONCERN AT GREEK REPORTS AT
IMPENDING COLLAPSE OF GENEVA TALKS I AM RELUCTANT TO DISTURB
HIM ON THIS ISSUE. HE IS TIRED AND I FEAR HIS JUDGMENT MAY
BE IMPAIRED UNLESS HE GETS SOME RESPITE AND SLEEP.

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3/ IN CONVERSATION WITH DIMITRIOS DIMITRIOU THIS EVENING, EMBOFF LEARNED HE AND CLERIDES GREATLY CONCERNED AND DISSAPOINTED AT LACK OF GREEK UNDERSTANDING OF SITUATION HERE AND LACK OF SUPPORT. DIMITRIOS SAID KARAMANLIS SO OVERWHELMED BY HIS VAST RESPONSIBILITIES HE UNABLE OR UNWILLING TO FOCUS ON CYPRUS NEEDS.

4. ACCORDINGLY, UNLESS WE CAN COME UP WITH SOME PRETTY GOOD ARGUMENTATION, MY HORSEBACK JUDGEMENT IS THAT CLERIDES WOULD FEEL SPECIAL S.C. MISSION WOULD BE TOKEN OF GREAT POWER INVOLVEMENT WHICH MIGHT DETER TURKS FROM FURTHER INROADS ON GREEK CYPRIOT TERRITORIES.

5. IN MY TELEPHONE EXCHANGE WITH CLERIDES THIS EVENING I ASSURED HIM OF CONTINUING US INTEREST IN STABILIZING SITUATION ON CYPRUS AND HE SEEMED ANXIOUS TO KNOW THAT THE SECRETARY WAS STILL CLOSELY WATCHING SITUATION. I ASSURED HIM OF SECRETARYS CONTINUED INTEREST AND INVOLVEMENT. THIS SEEMED ONLY ELEMENT THAT ALLEViated HIS GLOOM ABOUT HIS PERCEPTION OF DEVELOPMENTS OF THE GENEVA FROMT.

6. EMBOFF WAS TOLD BY DIMITRIOU THAT RAF AGREED TO FLY CLERIDES AND DIMITRIOS TO ATHENS LAST NIGHT BUT KARAMANLIS PASSED WORD TO THEM THAT HE FAR TOO BUSY AND THAT HE WOULD LET THEM KNOW WHEN IT CONVENIENT TO SEE THEM.

7. I PLAN TO CALL ON CLERIDES MONDAY MORNING. HE NEEDS RE-ASSURANCE BADLY AND IF THERE IS ANYTHING DEPARTMENT CAN PROVIDE ME TO BOLSTER HIS CONFIDENCE IN US AS WELL AS SOONEST RESOLUTION PROBLEM TO TURKISH MOVES ON GREEK CYPRIOT AREAS, IT WILL BE MOST HELPFUL.

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